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Harvey Weinstein Facing 6 New Sex Assault Counts

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey announced today that film producer Harvey Weinstein was charged with six additional forcible sexual assault counts involving two victims stemming from incidents that allegedly occurred more than a decade ago.

Case BA483663 was amended today to add three felony counts each of forcible rape and forcible oral copulation. Weinstein (dob 3/19/52) now faces a total of four counts each of forcible rape and forcible oral copulation, two counts of sexual battery by restraint and one count of sexual penetration by use of force, involving five victims for crimes that span from 2004 to 2013.

"I am thankful to the first women who reported these crimes and whose courage have given strength to others to come forward," District Attorney Lacey said. "The willingness of these latest victims to testify against a powerful man gives us the additional evidence we need to build a compelling criminal case."

It is the second time the criminal complaint against Weinstein has been amended to include additional counts. If convicted as charged in the amended complaint, the defendant faces up to 140 years to life in state prison.

The new charges include an incident between September 2004 and September 2005 where Weinstein allegedly raped a woman at a hotel in Beverly Hills.

The defendant also is accused of raping another woman on two separate occasions in November 2009 and November 2010 at a hotel in Beverly Hills.

Weinstein was originally charged in January with sexually assaulting two women during separate incidents in 2013. The complaint was amended in April to add a charge that the defendant allegedly sexually assaulted a woman at a Beverly Hills hotel in May 2010.

Prosecutors are seeking the temporary custody of Weinstein from New York. An extradition hearing is set for December 11 in Buffalo.

Deputy District Attorneys Paul Thompson and Marlene Martinez are prosecuting the case.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles and Beverly Hills police departments and the District Attorney's Bureau of Investigation.

<u>About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u>
Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.